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## "BUSINESS FIRST" MARKS OPENING OF NINTH LEGISLATURE

Both Houses Organize Rapidly, With C. F. Chillingworth Senate President and H. L. Holstein House Speaker; Important Bills Begin to Come In; Many Tourists See Lawmakers at Close Range

Getting down to business on the first day and in the first hour, the ninth territorial legislature this morning opened its sessions in the Capitol and began its 60-day term in a spirit of efficiency.

There were flowers—horticultural and verbal—around both the senate and the house chambers, and there were the usual preliminaries of organization, but neither house delayed in settling itself for the serious and important business of making laws for the people of the territory.

At two minutes after 10 o'clock the house went into session. A minute later the senate was called to order. With this minute margin, H. L. Holstein, speaker of the house, had his usual smile of quiet triumph, for if there is anything which the veteran "Link" likes, it is for the chamber over which he presides to "beat the senate to it" on legislative business.

Large galleries of visitors were present in both houses. The usual motley throng of curiosity-seekers from downtown, politicians looking for jobs for themselves or their constituents, clerks and stenographers, incipient lobbyists and "has-beens" in the lobbyist line, gathered to view the formal preliminaries of organization.

Both houses went to work quietly. There were no fireworks and no fuss. Speaker of the house and president of the senate had been settled before-hand—H. L. Holstein of Hawaii for one and Charles F. Chillingworth of Oahu for the other. Committee chairmanships and places, and the employed officers of both houses, had been determined in advance. Smoothly working and noiseless, the Republican party program began the work which will run through most of the 60 days—with occasional brief displays of "irregularity."

In both houses important measures began to show up early, though by tacit agreement in many cases, numbers of bills were held back to avoid flooding the opening day.

In the senate Senator Chillingworth's drastic prohibition bill, and a concurrent resolution offered by Senator Pacheco of Oahu endorsing the president's stand against German "unrestricted" naval warfare were among the features. Both naturally go over for consideration. Senator Shingle of Oahu notified the senate that he will introduce a bill appropriating \$40,000 for the expenses of the proposed congressional party visit in March and April.

In the house one of the most important measures was that of the proposed city charter, the result of the charter convention's work in 1915. Lorrin Andrews, one of those who supported the majority in adopting this proposed charter in 1915, and now a Oahu representative, introduced the bill.

Already this seems likely to be the center of a lively fight and there are predictions it will never pass the senate.

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## THOUSANDS DIE IN RUMANIA DISASTER

(Associated Press by Cable)

BERLIN, Germany, Feb. 21.—Approximately 2000 people were killed and injured in a terrible railroad accident at Chirchoba, in northern Rumania, according to the Russian paper Ruskoye Slovo, as quoted by the Overseas News Agency. Another report says that 3000 people were killed instantly when fire broke out in ammunition carried on the train and the cars with the munitions exploded.

It is declared that a horrible panic ensued in which men and women fought like wild beasts. The train was carrying a great load of Rumanian refugees.

## POINTED FACTS ABOUT MILITARY PARADE TOMORROW

The military parade will start promptly tomorrow morning at 9:30 from near Aala Park, with the head of the marching column on King street. The parade will pass along King street from River to Kapiolani street, where it will be dismissed. Governor L. E. Pinkham is to review the parade from a reviewing stand at the Palace square, facing King street. Bleachers for spectators will be erected at the Palace grounds.

## ROMANCE OF OLD HAWAII TOLD IN PAGEANT

### Love-Story of Ancient Court Today's Carnival Feature

Leading figures in today's Hawaiian Pageant at Kapiolani park. On extreme left is the King of Oahu, as portrayed by John Spencer. Next to him is the hero of the pageant, the young Prince Iwikaukau-a-makauili, royal son of the island of Hawaii about 1780, as he came seeking the hand of an island princess. David Simeona of the Kamehameha School for Boys portrays the prince. Beside the youthful lover is his tall bodyguard in traditional costume. At the extreme left are the Princess Kallikojani (Mrs. Keopuulani Kall) and her bodyguard.



## IMPORTANT NEEDS OF GOVERNMENT ARE POINTED OUT

Governor's Message to Legislature Favors Liquor Restrictions, Praises Schools and Slaps Survey; Will Treat of Military Later

You must legislate for the most diverse community with in the borders of the United States. You need to study and legislate as statesmen, not as politicians.

With this word of advice, Governor Pinkham today concluded his message to the 1917 legislature, both houses of which met in joint session to receive him. The message is printed in full in another part of this paper.

Bearing here and there touches of irony and flashes of humor to punctuate the more serious facts which the author attempts to bring out, the document is being studied with interest by the territorial law makers.

Message on Military Later

One of the first matters taken up in the message is the military department comprising the National Guard and territorial militia, so closely interwoven with the War Department, that the governor suggests it requires deep consideration on the part of the legislature. It will be treated in a special message.

Large Fund for Entertaining

The message touches upon the need of entertainment for those world travelers who touch here, the cross-roads of the Pacific. The governor hints broadly that the entertainment fund should be increased, adding, "It would be bad form to advise you as to this fund."

Wants Bigger Contingent Fund

It is recommended that the contingent fund be increased from \$50,000 to \$150,000, that the government may "combat such vital, unforeseen events and situations" as may arise during the periods when the legislature is not in session.

Following this the report goes into detail, stating the expenditures from different appropriations. Due consideration.

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## LET THE WORKERS VOTE TODAY!

Businessmen of Honolulu, you are urgently requested to allow employees an hour or two hours this afternoon to go to the polls and vote on the bond issue.

This is a vital day in Honolulu improvements. On account of press of business, many firms, it was reported this morning, would keep their employees until 5 o'clock—too late to vote.

By all means they should be given a chance at 3:30 or 4 to quit work and go to the polls. A large vote should be gotten out, but this cannot be done unless the business houses give the fullest cooperation.

## TRICK TO BEAT BONDS IS LAID TO DEMOCRATS

An eleventh-hour trick was pulled by politicians, declared to be Democrats, today to defeat the proposed municipal bond issue for water works and sewers. The trick was the passing around of typewritten sheets of paper purporting to show that the present board of supervisors plans to spend \$400,000 of the \$480,000 bond money to take itself out of debt. Detailed figures are cited to show that while the board is trying to pass the bond issue on the promise that the money will be spent for permanent improvements, in reality more than half the proceeds are to be applied on the indebtedness, which is stated to be \$368,000.

City officials who could be reached this afternoon for a statement on this accusation are unanimous in declaring it a desperate attempt to defeat the bond issue for partisan purposes. They also urge every businessman to assist in checking what is declared to be the unfair scheme of Democrats to beat the bonds.

At 1:30 this afternoon about 1500 votes had been cast.

## INFANT MORTALITY HIGH

[By Associated Press] LONDON, England.—"Reckoning deaths, it is more dangerous in Great Britain to be a baby at home than it is to be an infantryman serving a year in France," according to a report on vital statistics. And this is how he proves it: "Of 100 possible births 10 are lost in advance. Of the remaining 90, each of which fills a cradle, 15 are dead by the end of the first year. In other words, out of 100 children who ought to be celebrating their first birthday at this present date, 25 have left us prematurely or in earliest infancy."

## RITCHIE IS TOLD HE MUST HURRY MANOA PROJECT

City Engineer Warns Contractor and Threatens Cancellation of His Contract

That unless F. R. Ritchie, contractor on the Manoa Improvement project, obtains additional help and material, resulting in a much more rapid rate of construction, the board of supervisors will be asked to cancel the contract, is the gist of a letter written by George Collins, city and county engineer, to the contractor. This letter was read last evening at the meeting of the board and ordered filed.

Honolulu, T. H., Feb. 20, 1917.

F. R. Ritchie, Esq., Honolulu, T. H.

Dear Sir:

Re Progress, Manoa Contract.

Your present rate of progress in construction work in Manoa Improvement District No. 1 is not satisfactory. Your present equipment and organization is inadequate to prosecute construction work during favorable weather as rapidly as must be done in order to complete the contract within the time specified.

It is essential that you materially increase the rate of progress in constructing combined concrete curb and gutters and in constructing concrete pavement. It is further essential that you make a substantial beginning in constructing asphalt macadam pavement.

Toward these ends your present equipment must be increased by securing and operating at once:

(1) An additional concrete mixer suitable for street paving work;  
(2) Two complete equipments for asphalt macadam road work so that two asphalt gangs may be worked simultaneously and at high speed. I therefore order you under my powers contained in the contract and specifications to procure, commence and continue to operate, such additional equipment enumerated above immediately. I further order you forthwith to organize your labor so as to run this additional equipment efficiently. I further order you to procure such additional material as may be necessary to keep not only your present equipment and labor, but also the additional equipment and labor above indicated, in efficient operation.

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## Villa Raiders Menace Towns On The Border

(Associated Press by Cable)

YUMA, Ariz., Feb. 21.—More than 100 of Villa's cavalymen are now encamped near the border, 25 miles south of here, according to news brought in today. A company of the 14th Infantry has established a patrol opposite the camp. It is reported that the Mexicans are planning a raid on Sonora towns near the border.

## WILL DO HONOR TO GEN. FUNSTON

Army Generals and Civic Officials to Join in Respects to Dead Heroes

(Associated Press by Cable)

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 21.—High military and civilian honors will be paid the late Maj.-Gen. Frederick Funston at the funeral here which will follow the arrival at the city from San Antonio.

Honorary pallbearers named today include Adjutant William F. Fanning, Brig.-Gen. W. L. Stuart, Robert A. Evans and Oscar F. Long, adjutant-in-chief, J. P. Wisner and Col. Benjamin Alvord.

It is expected that Governor Hiram Johnson, Mayor Ralph and other civic officials of the state and city will attend the services as a formal mark of respect to the dead hero. The body will lie in state in the rotunda of the city hall and at the public view thousands will pass before the flag-draped bier. A special guard of soldiers and police will be one of the ceremonies of honor.

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 21.—Gen. Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff, U. S. army, telegraphed a message to Gen. Pershing today appointing the late commander of the American troops on the punitive expedition to succeed Gen. Funston as commander of the Southern department.

## BRITISH NAVY NOW TIGHTENS "IRON RING" AROUND TEUTON PEOPLES

(Associated Press by Cable)

LONDON, England, Feb. 21.—The official gazette today contains an "order in council" tightening the Allied naval blockade around countries with which England is warring as a result of the German submarine blockade.

LONDON, England, Feb. 21.—Official announcement was made today that the English port of Plymouth has been closed to all ships except those of the Allies.

LONDON, England, Feb. 21.—The sailing vessel Centurian and the steamer Brigade were sunk in the war zone today according to a despatch to Lloyd's agency.

## NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TODAY

	Today.	Yesterday.
Alaska Gold	8 1/2	8 1/2
American Smelter	100 1/2	102
American Sugar Rfg.	114 1/2	113 1/2
American Tel. & Tel.	125 1/2	125 1/2
Anacosta Copper	79 1/2	79 1/2
Atchafalca	103 1/2	103 1/2
Falduin Loco.	53 1/2	54 1/2
Pittsburgh & Ohio	77	77
Eschschm Steel, New	120	120
Calif. Petroleum	24	25 1/2
Canadian Pacific	154 1/2	155 1/2
C. & M. & St. P. (St. Paul)	81	81 1/2
Colo. Fuel & Iron	47 1/2	48 1/2
Crucible Steel	65 1/2	66
Erle Common	27 1/2	27 1/2
General Electric	165	167
General Motors, New	111	111
Great Northern Pfd.	114	114
Inter. Harv. N. J.	117 1/2	116 1/2
Kennecott Copper	45	45 1/2
Lehigh R. R.	75	74
New York Central	96	95 1/2
Pennsylvania	54 1/2	54 1/2
Ray Consol.	27 1/2	27 1/2
Reading Common	95 1/2	93 1/2
Southern Pacific	94 1/2	94 1/2
Studebaker	101 1/2	104
Texas Oil	229	232
Union Pacific	138 1/2	138 1/2
U. S. Steel	108 1/2	109 1/2
Utah	110 1/2	111 1/2
Western Union	94	94
Westinghouse	50 1/2	51
May Wheat	1.78	1.79 1/2

\*Bid. †Ex-dividend. Unquoted.

SUGAR  
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal. Feb. 19.—Sugar: 96 degrees test, 5.33 cents. Previous quotation, 5.35 cents.

## PRESIDENT TO ASK RIGHT OF DRASTIC MOVE

Plans to Go Before Nation's Lawmakers and Seek Additional Authority to Protect American Seamen and Ships

(Associated Press by Cable)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—President Wilson has virtually decided on another and important move to protect American lives and property at sea and to uphold international law.

He has practically determined to appear before Congress prior to March 4 and ask for additional authority to be vested in him, to protect American seamen and ships. This has been decided upon in view of the present grave crisis caused by the combatants' naval warfare. High officials declared today that there is a chance Mr. Wilson will not carry out his plan, but there is every indication that he will make the address late this week or early next. The president's position and the legislation he recommends, in view of experiences during the war, is to be authoritatively outlined for Congress before that body adjourns, in the expectation that an adjournment it should pass a broad resolution, giving added powers to the chief executive of the nation.

Mr. Wilson has definitely decided what he will say to Congress. It is learned today, but the nature of his decision is not made public.

Officials made it known here today that they expect, sooner or later, that arms will be furnished to merchant ships for defense.

It is emphasized that when the president appears he will not ask for a declaration of war.

While it is realized that the pacifist element has some strength in Congress, the president is known to believe that the situation is such that when action is needed there will be no division of the lawmakers of the nation.

Added light on the seriousness of the breach now widening was given today. While there is general reticence in official circles to discuss the Austrian situation, it is understood the administration believed that negotiations between the United States and the Austrian government are unsatisfactory. Washington has called for a clear statement from Vienna as to the Austrian attitude on Germany's declaration of "unrestricted" naval warfare.

## Many Vessels Sunk, Claims Berlin Now

Berlin Declares U-Boat Wrecking Havoc in Mediterranean, Sinking Many Vessels in the Past Few Days, Though Allies' Reports Do Not Show It

(Associated Press by Cable)

BERLIN, Germany, Feb. 21.—Many hostile vessels, including an Italian transport crowded with troops, have been sunk in the "barred zone" in which Germany has warned shipping, on penalty of immediate attack without warning by submarines.

It is stated that in this "war zone" of the Mediterranean a large number of vessels have been sunk in a few days, says the Overseas News Agency. Among those sunk to the bottom were two armed vessels, and carrying important cargoes for the Allies, the Italian steamer Oceano and the French steamer Mont Ventoux. The sailing ship Aphrodite has also been sunk.

## GREAT STRIKE BREAKS OUT IN KRUPP WORKS, SAYS AMSTERDAM NEWS

(Associated Press by Cable)

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands, Feb. 21.—It is reported here that there has been a strike of 17,000 workers in the great Krupp armament and steel works at Essen and that the strike has been in progress for a fortnight. The strikers are demanding higher wages and better food rations. It is also reported that many of those in the strike have been sent to the front.